

SENATE BILL 815

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 8; Title 33; Title 36; Title 37; Title 41; Title 49; Title 68 and Title 71, relative to a consolidation of services to children.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-3-602, is amended by adding the following new subsection to be appropriately designated:

(\_\_\_) The commissioner, in conjunction with the commission on children and youth and the commissioners of children's services, education, health, human services, mental health and developmental disabilities, and the head of any other department or agency providing services to children, shall present a plan and proposed legislation to the general assembly not later than January 1, 2002, for the consolidation in one department of the administration and provision of all services provided by the state of Tennessee to children in this state.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 33-1-303, is amended by adding the following new subsection to be appropriately designated:

(\_\_\_) The commissioner, in conjunction with the commission on children and youth and the commissioners of children's services, correction, education, health, human services, and the

head of any other department or agency providing services to children, shall present a plan and proposed legislation to the general assembly not later than January 1, 2002, for the consolidation in one department of the administration and provision of all services provided by the state of Tennessee to children in this state.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 37-3-102, is amended by adding the following new subsection to be appropriately designated:

(\_\_\_) The commission, in conjunction with the commissioners of children's services, correction, education, health, human services, mental health and developmental disabilities, and the head of any other department or agency providing services to children, shall present a plan and proposed legislation to the general assembly not later than January 1, 2002, for the consolidation in one department of the administration and provision of all services provided by the state of Tennessee to children in this state.

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 37-5-105, is amended by adding the following new subsection to be appropriately designated:

(\_\_\_) The commissioner, in conjunction with the commission on children and youth and the commissioners of correction, education, health, human services, mental health and developmental disabilities, and the head of any other department or agency providing services to children, shall present a plan and proposed legislation to the general assembly not later than January 1, 2002, for the consolidation in one department of the administration and provision of all services provided by the state of Tennessee to children in this state.

SECTION 5. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-1-201, is amended by adding the following new subsection to be appropriately designated:

(\_\_\_) The commissioner, in conjunction with the commission on children and youth and the commissioners of children's services, correction, health, human services,

mental health and developmental disabilities, and the head of any other department or agency providing services to children, shall present a plan and proposed legislation to the general assembly not later than January 1, 2002, for the consolidation in one department of the administration and provision of all services provided by the state of Tennessee to children in this state.

SECTION 6. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-1-102, is amended by adding the following new subsection to be appropriately designated:

(\_\_\_) The commissioner, in conjunction with the commission on children and youth and the commissioners of children's services, correction, education, human services, mental health and developmental disabilities, and the head of any other department or agency providing services to children, shall present a plan and proposed legislation to the general assembly not later than January 1, 2002, for the consolidation in one department of the administration and provision of all services provided by the state of Tennessee to children in this state.

SECTION 7. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 71-1-105, is amended by adding the following new subsection to be appropriately designated:

(\_\_\_) The commissioner, in conjunction with the commission on children and youth and the commissioners of children's services, correction, education, health, mental health and developmental disabilities, and the head of any other department or agency providing services to children, shall present a plan and proposed legislation to the general assembly not later than January 1, 2002, for the consolidation in one department of the administration and provision of all services provided by the state of Tennessee to children in this state.

SECTION 8. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.